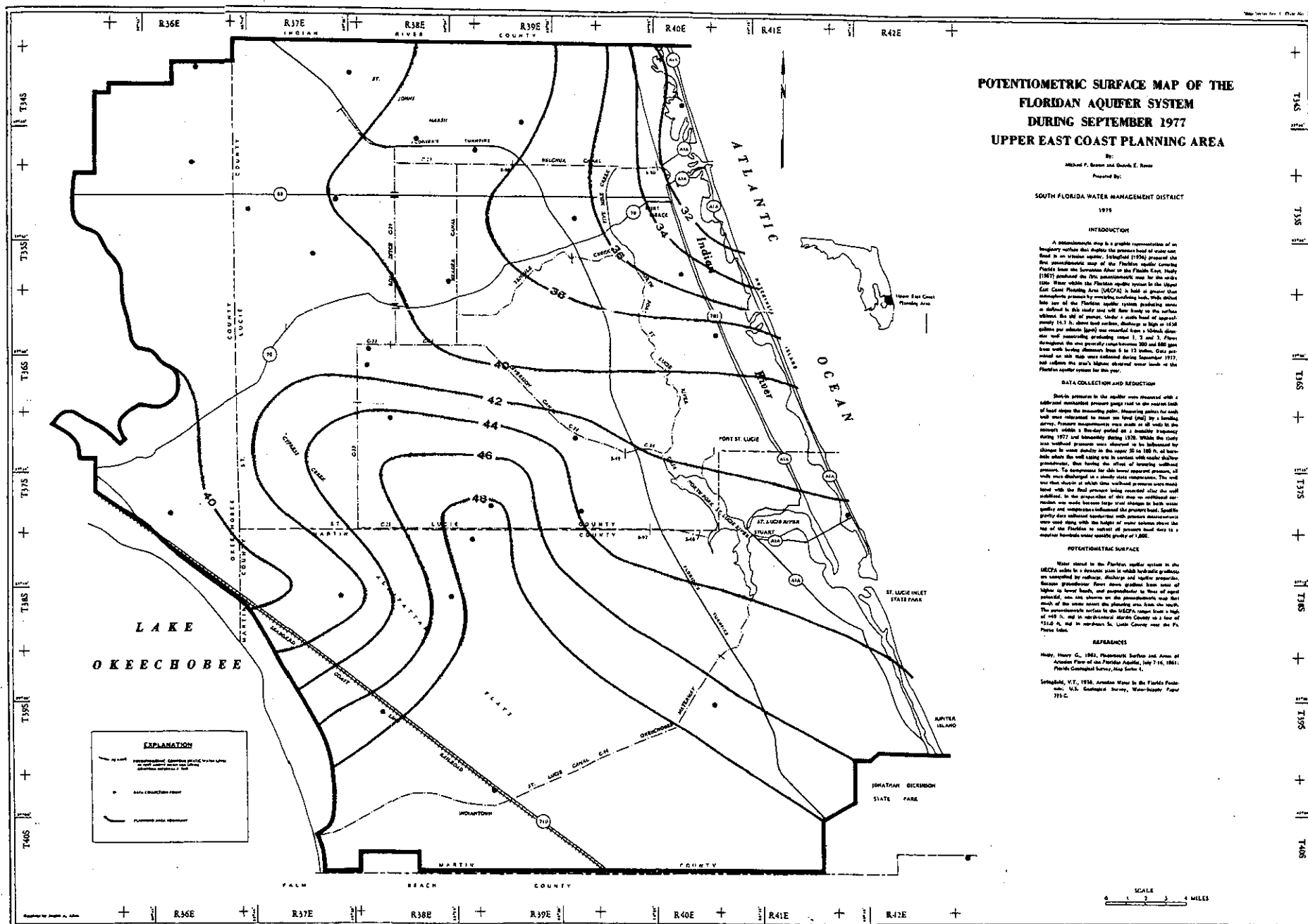
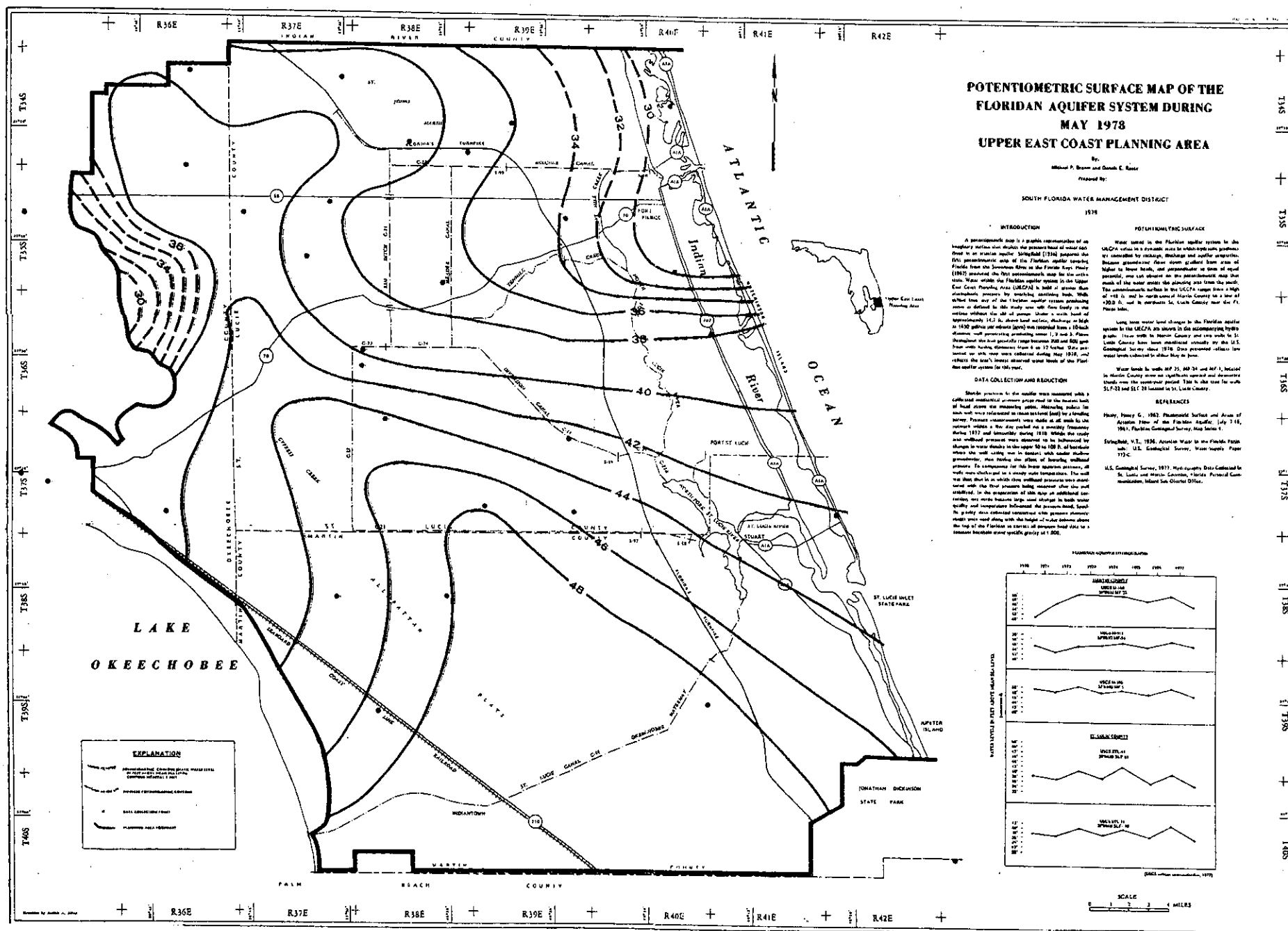
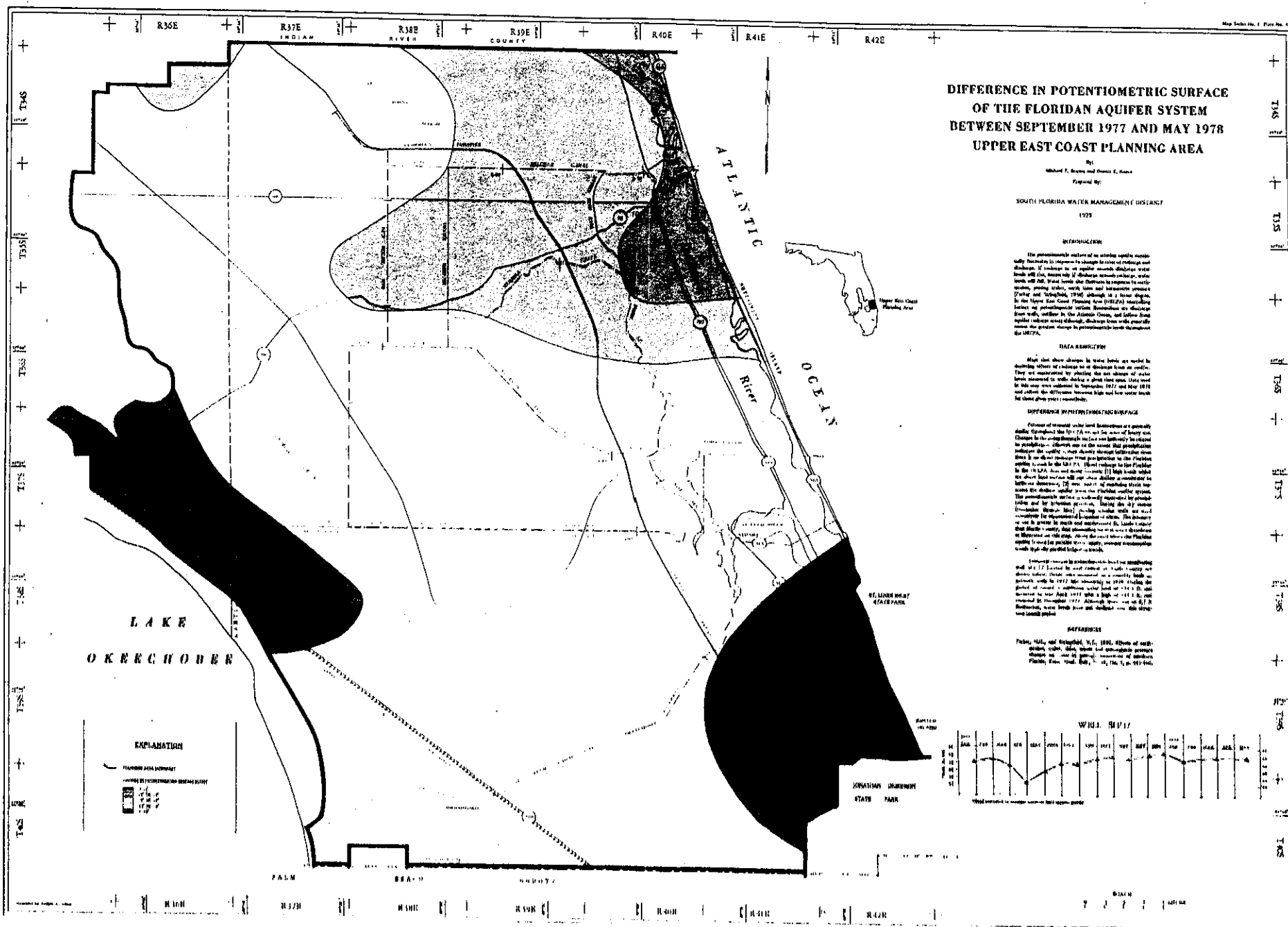
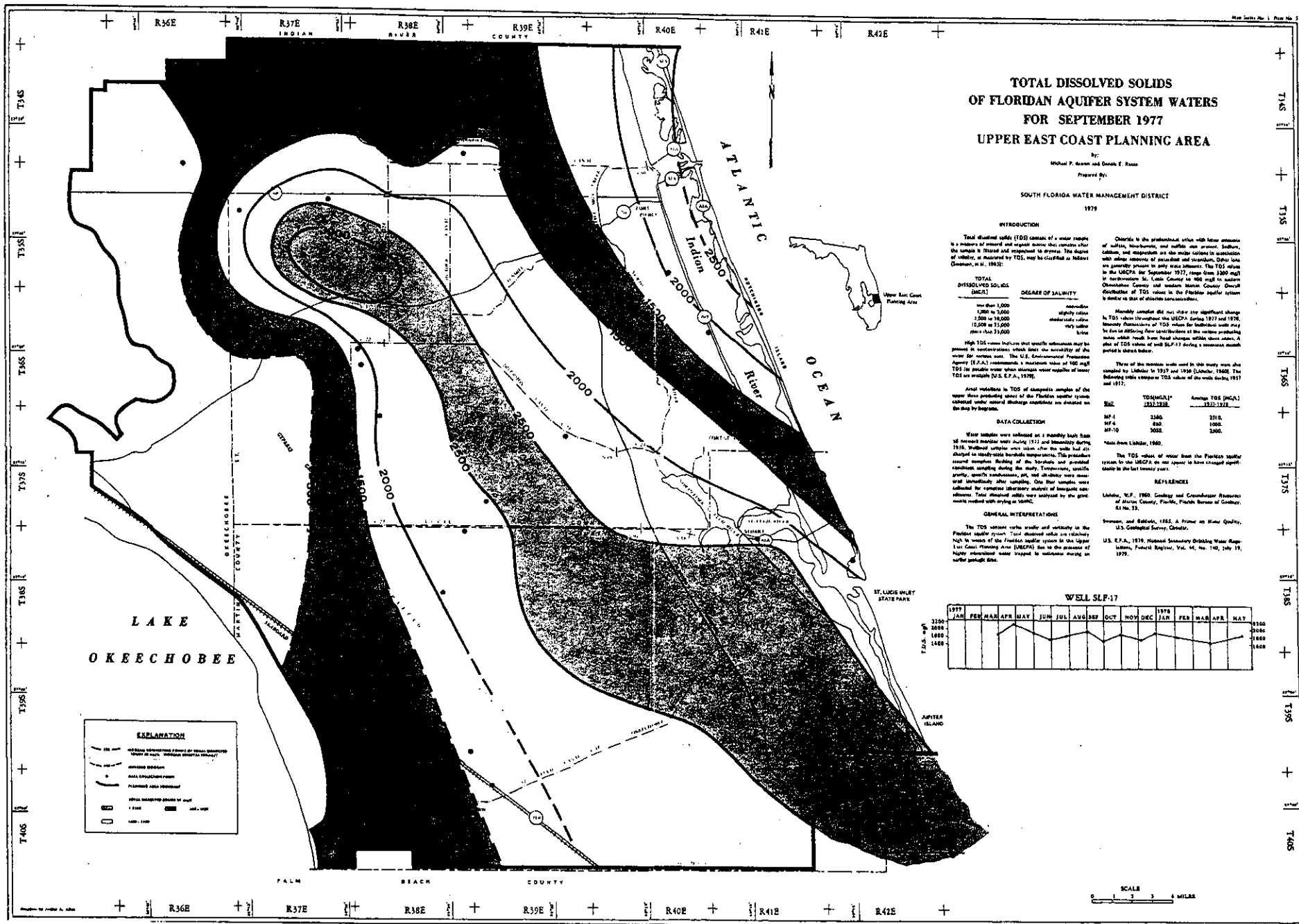


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# **TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS OF FLORIDAN AQUIFER SYSTEM WATERS FOR SEPTEMBER 1977 UPPER EAST COAST PLANNING AREA**

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## **INTRODUCTION**

Total dissolved solids (TDS) consist of a wide range of inorganic and organic materials that remain after the sample is filtered and subjected to drying. The degree of salinity, as measured by TDS, may be classified as follows (Sawyer, et al., 1963):

## **TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS (mg/L)**

less than 1,000  
1,000 to 3,000  
3,000 to 10,000  
10,000 to 15,000  
more than 15,000

High TDS values indicate that specific substances may be present in concentrations which limit the suitability of the water for various uses. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (E.P.A.) recommends a maximum value of 500 mg/L TDS for potable water when average water supplies of lower TDS are available (U.S. E.P.A., 1976).

Annual variations in TDS of domestic supplies of the water from producing areas of the Floridan aquifer system indicate that seasonal discharge variations are related to the flow of the aquifer.

## **DATA COLLECTION**

Water samples were collected on a monthly basis from 36 monitoring wells during 1977 and bi-monthly during 1978. In 1978, samples were taken after the wells had discolored to indicate possible biological processes. This procedure occurred because of the biological and chemical processes occurring during the study. Temperature, specific gravity, specific conductance, pH, and alkalinity were measured immediately after sampling. One flow sample was collected for chemical laboratory analysis of inorganic constituents. Total dissolved solids were analyzed by the gravimetric method with drying at 100°C.

## **GENERAL INTERPRETATIONS**

The TDS content varies widely and vertically in the Floridan aquifer system. TDS content within the system is high in areas of the Floridan aquifer system in the Upper East Coast Planning Area (UECPA) due to the presence of highly mineralized water trapped in solution moving on surface runoff lines.

Chloride is the predominant anion with lesser amounts of sulfate, bicarbonate, and sulfate and nitrate. Sulfate, calcium, and magnesium are the major cations in association with other minerals of potassium and sodium. Other ions are generally present in only trace amounts. The TDS value in the UECPA for September 1977, (range from 1,000 mg/L to 10,000 mg/L), is similar to the TDS value in the western Ocala aquifer system and western Marion County. Overall, the TDS values in the Floridan aquifer system are similar to that of other aquifer systems.

Monthly samples did not show any significant change in TDS values throughout the UECPA during 1977 and 1978. Monthly fluctuations of TDS values for individual wells may be due to differing flow rates and/or to the varying production rates which result from head changes within these areas. A plot of TDS values of well SLP-17 during a one-month period is shown below.

Three of the monitoring wells used in this study were also sampled by Lohman in 1957 and 1958 (Lohman, 1960). The following table compares TDS values of the wells during 1957 and 1958:

Well	TDS (mg/L) 1957-1958	Average TDS (mg/L) 1957-1958
SLP-1	2,000	2,500
SLP-4	800	1,000
SLP-10	3,000	3,000

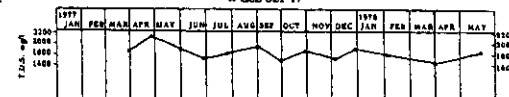
From Ann Lohman, 1960.

The TDS values of water from the Floridan aquifer system in the UECPA are not known to have changed significantly in the last twenty years.

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## **WELL SLP-17**



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# CHLORIDE CONCENTRATION OF FLORIDAN AQUIFER SYSTEM WATERS FOR SEPTEMBER 1977 UPPER EAST COAST PLANNING AREA

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## INTRODUCTION

The chloride concentration of water within the Floridan aquifer in the Upper East Coast Planning Area (UECPA) is an important limiting factor in its use. High chloride concentrations, in addition to the high sulfate concentrations, are a major problem in the UECPA. The chloride concentration of water within the UECPA is a function of the natural geologic processes that have taken place since the time of deposition of the sediments. The chloride concentration of water within the UECPA is a function of the natural geologic processes that have taken place since the time of deposition of the sediments.

Actual variation in the chloride concentration of the water within the UECPA is a function of the natural geologic processes that have taken place since the time of deposition of the sediments.

## DATA COLLECTION

Water samples were collected at a monthly basis from all major aquifers within the UECPA during 1977 and 1978. The samples were collected from the Floridan aquifer, the Suwannee River aquifer, and the Okeechobee aquifer. The samples were collected from the Floridan aquifer, the Suwannee River aquifer, and the Okeechobee aquifer.

## GENERAL INTERPRETATIONS

Chloride concentrations vary both spatially and temporally in the Floridan aquifer system. High chloride concentrations are found in the Suwannee River aquifer, and low chloride concentrations are found in the Okeechobee aquifer. The chloride concentrations are a function of the natural geologic processes that have taken place since the time of deposition of the sediments.

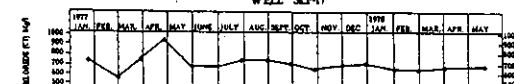
A "map" of relatively poor quality water having a chloride concentration ranging from 1000 to 1500 mg/L is shown in the UECPA. The map shows the distribution of the chloride concentration of water within the UECPA. The map shows the distribution of the chloride concentration of water within the UECPA.

It is apparent that the chloride concentration of the Floridan aquifer system in the UECPA has not significantly changed in the last 20 years.

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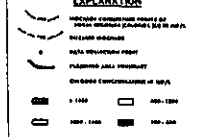
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## EXPLANATION



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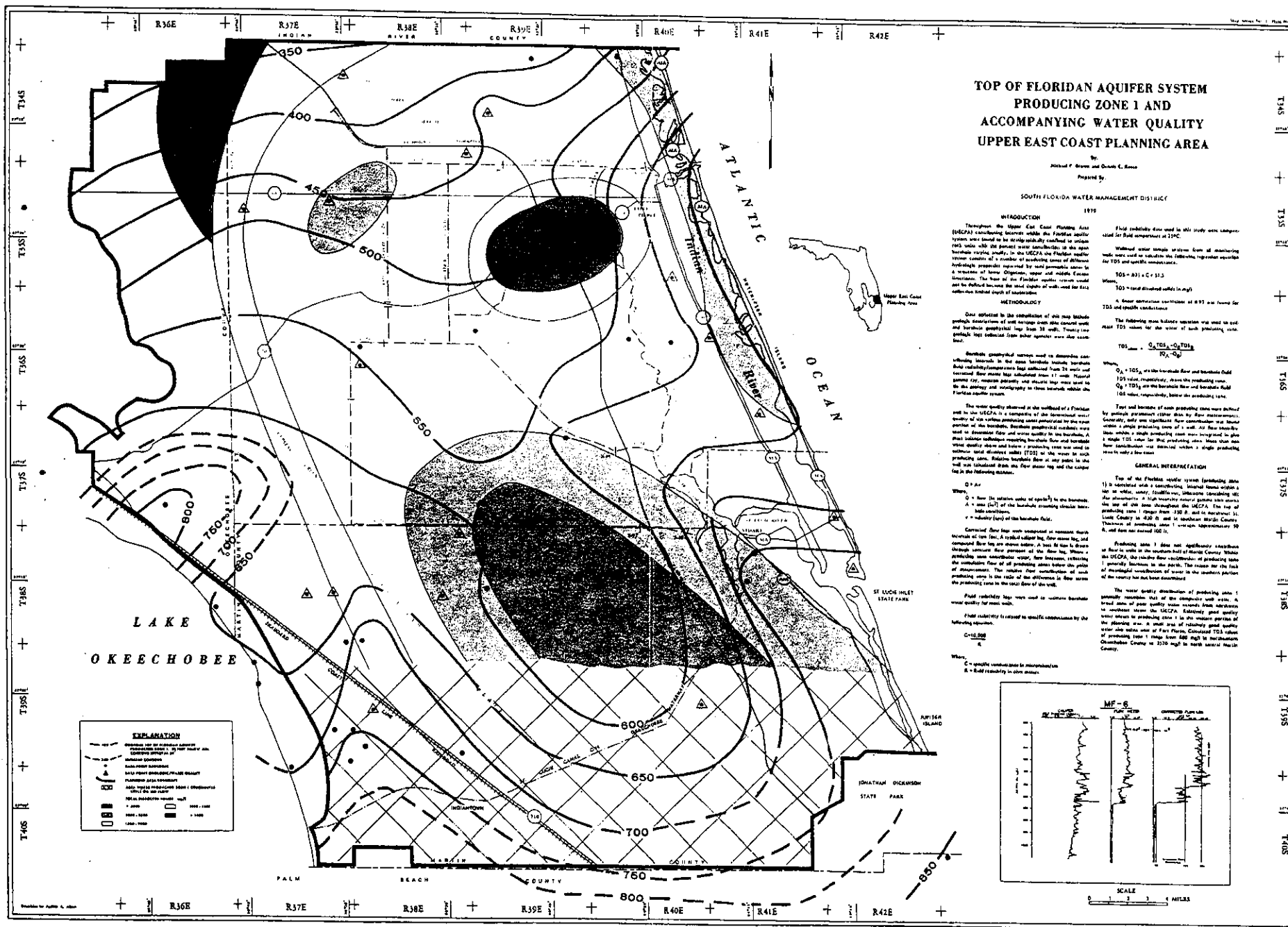
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# TOP OF PRODUCING ZONE 3 AND ACCOMPANYING WATER QUALITY FLORIDAN AQUIFER SYSTEM UPPER EAST COAST PLANNING AREA

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## INTRODUCTION

Throughout the Upper East Coast Planning Area (UECPA) monitoring has been conducted by the Florida Water Management District (FWMD) to determine the water quality of the various producing zones of the Floridan aquifer system. This report presents the results of the monitoring program for the top of the producing zone 3 and the accompanying water quality of the Floridan aquifer system. The data presented in this report were collected from monitoring wells located in the UECPA. The data were collected from monitoring wells located in the UECPA. The data were collected from monitoring wells located in the UECPA.

## METHODOLOGY

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Where:  
Q = Flow rate in gpm  
A = Area in sq ft  
V = Volume in cu ft

GENERAL INTERPRETATION  
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Fluid conductivity data were used to estimate the water quality for each well.

Fluid conductivity is related to specific conductance by the following equation:

$$C = 1.5 \times 10^{-3} K$$

Where:

C = specific conductance in microsiemens

K = fluid conductivity in ohm-cm

Fluid conductivity data were used in this study to compare fluid conductivity data with specific conductance data.

Mathematical water sample analysis from all monitoring wells was used to calculate the following regression equation for TDS and specific conductance:

$$TDS = 43 + C \times 2.15$$

Where:

TDS = total dissolved solids in mg/l

A linear correlation coefficient of 0.97 was found for TDS and specific conductance.

The following most reliable equation was used to estimate TDS values for the value of each producing zone:

$$TDS_{zone} = \frac{Q_1 + Q_2 + Q_3 + Q_4 + Q_5}{Q_1 + Q_2 + Q_3 + Q_4 + Q_5}$$

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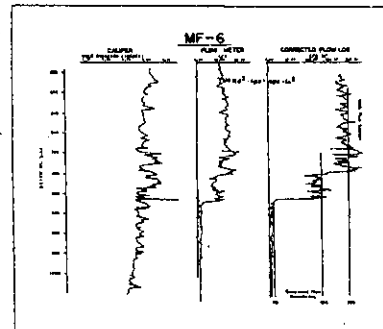
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**EXPLANATION**

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--- ELEVATION OF TOP OF PRODUCING ZONE 3

--- ELEVATION OF TOP OF FLORIDAN AQUIFER SYSTEM

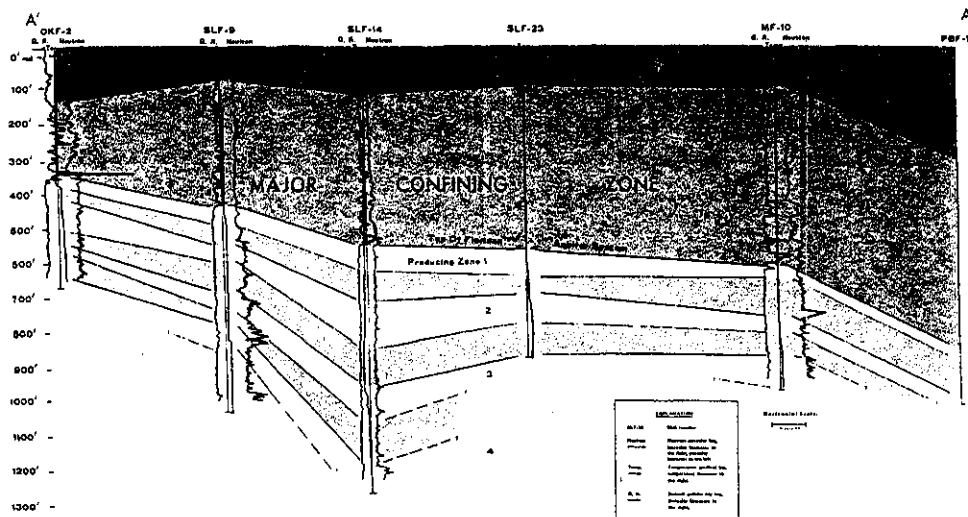
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# GENERALIZED HYDROGEOLOGIC CROSS SECTIONS UPPER EAST COAST PLANNING AREA

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## INTRODUCTION

The Floridan aquifer first defined by Foster (1940), "consists of all the Middle Eocene (Ocala Limestone), Oligocene (Lawrence Limestone), and Miocene (Tampa Limestone) and permeable parts of the Floridan Formation that are in hydraulic contact with the rest of the aquifer." (Foster, et al., 1955). In the Upper East Coast Planning Area (UECPA) (shown map above) the Floridan aquifer system consists of a number of producing zones of different hydrologic properties separated by non-permeable zones to a southeast of lower Oligocene (Lawrence Limestone), and Upper and Middle Eocene (Ocala Limestone and Upper and Lower Tampa Limestone) confining zones. The base of the Floridan aquifer system could not be defined at total depths of wells used for data collection detailed the depth of exploration.

## METHODOLOGY

Cross section in the construction of these general hydrogeologic sections includes geologic descriptions of well sections from OKF-29, SLF-5, SLF-14, SLF-23, OKF-24, MF-3, MF-20 and PBF-1 and geologic descriptions of logs from 20 wells shown in the cross hydrogeologic cross-section. Geologic logs of 20 wells and geologic logs for 20 wells collected during this and other wells were examined and integrated into the properties of plan 10A and B.

Geologic geologic surveys used in determining water conducting intervals in the open boreholes indicated borehole fluid conductivity measurements log collected from 24 wells and estimated flow meter logs calculated for 17 wells. Natural gamma ray, neutron porosity and resistivity logs used to up the geologic and stratigraphy to corresponding intervals within the Floridan aquifer system.

## GENERAL HYDROGEOLOGY

Throughout the UECPA the confining interval within the Floridan aquifer system was consistently found to be stratigraphically confined within the Ocala Limestone. Cross section shows the general hydrogeologic structure. Stratigraphic and geologic sections through the Floridan aquifer system, the major confining zone and the Floridan aquifer system.

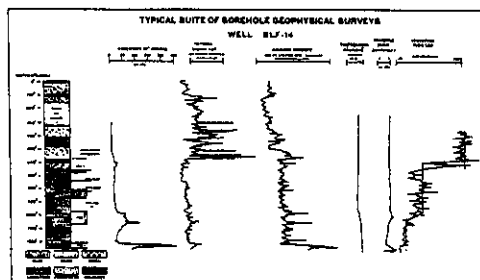
In the UECPA the shallow aquifer system consists of what is now and recent unconsolidated deposits and, while in heavy sandy and highly and somewhat permeable with increasing amounts of phosphate and clay in light gray clay towards the base. The thickness of the relatively high water yielding zone in the shallow aquifer system varies from less than 50 ft. to more than 120 ft. The confining aquifer system is located from the Floridan aquifer system by more than 200 ft. of light gray to olive green sandy, clay, phosphate plastic clay.

The top of the Floridan aquifer system (producing zone 1) is correlated with a confining interval found within a low sand limestone, mostly laminated, containing clay and phosphates. This stratigraphic unit since the high intensity magnetic general log shows a high intensity throughout the log which marks the top of the system. The top of producing zone 2 is found to correlate with a magnetic interface because a white, very clay calcareous and highly micaceous limestone (Lawrence Limestone), and a low porosity sandy limestone with very few fossils. This change in lithology is also observed on the natural gamma ray survey with the lower bed top having a lower radiation level than that of the lower bed top. Producing zone 2 grades into a high gray to low, hard, well cemented subcrystalline limestone or dolomite. The lower producing zone (zone 3) and 12 were found to be correlative with relatively high degrees of gray to blue crystalline dolomite within massive limestone beds.

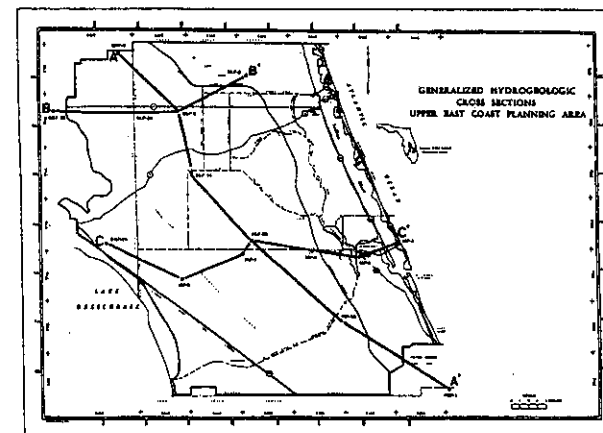
Classification and nomenclature of geologic units conform to the maps of the Florida Bureau of Geology.

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Well	Formation	Thickness	Stratigraphic Correlation	Geologic Description	Hydrogeologic Properties	Remarks
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